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Applicant(s): DePablo et al.

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Title: **LYOPHILIZATION OF HUMAN PLATELETS**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

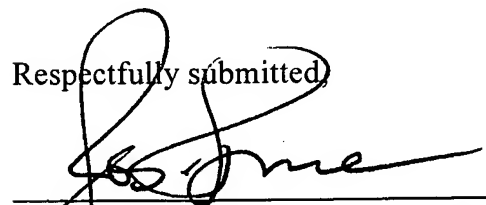
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To the Commissioner:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2005, for one month from March 5, 2006, to April 5, 2006. The granting of the requested extension of time will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit.

A check for \$120 is enclosed to cover the petition fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2055.

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